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SUBJECT: LER 98-020-00: on 980408, interim LER - determined that
 containment recirculation sump pH upper limit exceeded.
 Caused by analysis input omission. Condition remains under
 evaluation to determine appropriate action. W/980423 ltr.

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In accordance with the criteria established by 10 CFR 50.73 entitled Licensee Event Report System, the following report is being submitted:

98-020-00

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "J. R. Sampson", written over a horizontal line.

J. R. Sampson
Site Vice President

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LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)

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FACILITY NAME (1)
Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant - Unit 1DOCKET NUMBER (2)
50-315

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TITLE (4)

Interim LER -Containment Recirculation Sump pH Upper Limit Exceeded Due to Analysis Input Omission

EVENT DATE (5)			LER NUMBER (6)			REPORT DATE (7)			OTHER FACILITIES INVOLVED (8)	
MONTH	DAY	YEAR	YEAR	SEQUENTIAL NUMBER	REVISION NUMBER	MONTH	DAY	YEAR	FACILITY NAME	DOCKET NUMBER
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									FACILITY NAME	DOCKET NUMBER
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			20.2203(a)(2)(ii)		50.36(c)(1)		50.73(a)(2)(vii)		(Specify in Abstract below and in Text, NRC Form 366A)	
			20.2203(a)(2)(iii)		50.36(c)(2)		50.73(a)(2)(viii)(A)			
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LICENSEE CONTACT FOR THIS LER (12)

NAME

Mr. Jeb Kingseed, Nuclear Safety Analysis Manager

TELEPHONE NUMBER (Include Area Code)

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COMPLETE ONE LINE FOR EACH COMPONENT FAILURE DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT (13)

CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPRDS	CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPRDS

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14)

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			07	31	98

ABSTRACT (Limit to 1400 spaces, i.e., approximately 15 single-spaced typewritten lines) (16)

On April 9, 1998, an ENS notification was made in accordance with 10 CFR 50.72(b)(2)(i), for a condition which was found while both units were shutdown, which had it been found while the reactor was in operation, could have resulted in the nuclear plant being in an unanalyzed condition. This notification is a result of an issue discovered during a safety system functional inspection of the containment spray system.

It has been determined that the Westinghouse method for calculating the maximum pH in the containment sump after an accident might result in a pH that is too basic. While responding to an AEP audit question, Westinghouse discovered that the sodium hydroxide contained within the ice condenser ice beds had not been included in any of the BORDER analysis performed for Cook Plant. BORDER is a computer program used to determine the pH in the containment sump. The impact of this is that the actual containment sump pH value following a loss of coolant accident exceeds the maximum pH limit in the Bases for Technical Specification (T/S) 9.5. Preliminary calculations indicate a pH value of approximately 9.7 is possible. The T/S is based on Branch Technical Position MTEB 6-1 on the pH for emergency cooling water for PWRs. The reference states that the pH should be in the high end of the range of 7.0 to 9.5 for greater assurance that stress corrosion cracking will not occur. The reference does not give any guidance on what the affects would be if 9.5 is exceeded, thus the unanalyzed condition. The significance of the impact of the pH above the range in the T/S requires further evaluation.

This condition remains under evaluation to determine appropriate action to rectify this issue. Additionally, this issue is being evaluated for potential 10CFR Part 21 reportability. An update to this interim LER will be submitted by July 31, 1998.